



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 1648  
PATENT**

Attorney Docket No. 03495.0301-00

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Ali AMARA *et al.*

Application No.: 10/700,507

Filed: November 5, 2003

For: COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING DC-  
SIGN BLOCKERS AND METHODS  
OF USING DC-SIGN BLOCKERS  
FOR PREVENTING OR TREATING  
DISEASES OF A MAMMAL,  
INCLUDING VIRAL INFECTIONS

Group Art Unit: 1648

Examiner: Stacy Brown Chen

Confirmation No.: 6288

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**REPLY AFTER FINAL**

Applicant now Replies to the Office Action mailed August 3, 2007 ("Office Action"). The deadline for reply has been extended to January 3, 2008, by a Petition for

Extension of Time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith.

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